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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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12V-175

SUBJECT: LOCKING RING AND IMPROPER TORQUEING

DEAR MS. FREEMAN:

This letter serves to acknowledge your notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) on behalf of your client, Reinke Manufacturing Company, Inc.'s (Reinke) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

REINKE/INTERMODAL EXTENDABLE CHASSIS 20' AND 40'/2010
REINKE/INTERMODAL TANK CHASSIS 40'/2011-2012
REINKE/INTERMODAL CONTAINER CHASSIS 40'/2012
REINKE/INTERMODAL TANK CHASSIS 20'/2011-2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 12V-175 **Mfg's Report Date:** April 27, 2012

Components: SUSPENSION: MULTIPLE AXLES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 507

Summary:

REINKE IS RECALLING CERTAIN 2010-2013 INTERMODAL CHASSIS FRAMES. ON CERTAIN CHASSIS FRAMES, THE LOCKING RING THAT SECURES THE SPINDLE NUT IS MISSING FROM THE AXLE OR IS IMPROPERLY INSTALLED AND THE SPINDLE NUTS MAY NOT BE PROPERLY TORQUED WHICH CAN LEAD TO WHEEL SEPARATION.

Consequence:

IF WHEEL SEPARATION OCCURS, THE DRIVER MAY LOSE CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE, AND DETACHED DUAL WHEELS MAY ENTER THE ROADWAY, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

REINKE WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND SERVICE REPAIR FACILITIES WILL INSPECT AND REPAIR AXLES AS NECESSARY. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT MAY 4, 2012. OWNERS MAY CONTACT REINKE AT 1-402-365-7521 OR TOLL FREE 1-877-762-1001.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

We have received your proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Your contact for this recall will be Edison Thompson who may be reached by phone at 1-202-366-9525, by email at Edison.Thompson@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Timian'.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement